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In brief

325th CONS closure

The 325th Contracting Squadron will be closed Oct. 7 for a squadron function. For emergencies, call 774-1152.

Finance Office closure

The Finance Office will close at noon Oct. 7 for an official function. In case of an emergency, call 624-9466 or 625-9340.

Golf course closure

In an effort to improve the base golf course, the Pelican Point Golf Course will be closed Oct. 11 for annual reseeding. Play will resume at 6 a.m. Oct. 12. For more information, call 283-4389.

Lithographs available

The 325th Fighter Wing Public Affairs office has Air Force Core Values-themed lithographs available for free distribution. The PA office is in Bldg. 662, Suite 129. The lithos are for official use only and must be framed for display.

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Heroic pilot finally honored

2ND LT. WILLIAM POWELL

325th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Tyndall Airmen joined members of the local community in honoring a forgotten hero Monday at the Panama City Garden Club.

Col. Brian Dickerson, 325th Fighter Wing vice commander, Tyndall Chaplain (Maj.) Carlton Bivens and members of the Tyndall Honor Guard helped dedicate a 6-foot stone monument in honor of 2nd Lt. Edwin Gorbet, who died when his F-86D Sabre exploded over Panama City during a training mission more than 50 years ago.

According to a news article printed on Sept. 29, 1953, the day after the crash, Lieutenant Gorbet radioed the Tyndall tower that his jet was malfunctioning and he needed to bail out. An engine malfunction had ignited a fire, causing an inferno to rip through the jet.

But despite the life-threatening danger, the pilot remained behind the controls to avoid crashing his jet into the nearby then-Jinks Junior High School campus, where approximately 1,000 students were attending. Seconds later, the jet exploded directly over the school.

In a letter written by Marvin McCain, a teacher at Jinks at the time of the accident, he said the day was like any other until "Suddenly, there was



Joyce Fox, a seventh-grader at Jinks Junior High School during the crash, takes a minute to read the inscription on the monument Monday, which honors a Tyndall pilot for giving his life to save the lives of many.



Photos by 2nd Lt. William Powell

Tyndall Chaplain (Maj.) Carlton Bivens offers a prayer as Col. Brian Dickerson, 325th Fighter Wing vice commander, and Tom Duke, Jinks Middle School teacher, bow their heads Monday during a dedication ceremony at the Panama City Garden Club. Inset: The stone monument, bearing an inscription honoring 2nd Lt. Edwin Gorbet, is 6 feet tall.

a very loud roaring sound, and before you could even think, 'What was that?' an ear-splitting blast shook the entire building to a point of collapse. All of my students were out of the building in two seconds. I followed. Every one of us was looking up and we saw many pieces of light material floating down."

Then the jet's exploded fuel tank and part of a wing landed on the school band's practice area, he said. Jet debris was scattered over hundreds of acres around the spot where it plunged to earth, but there were no reports of any injured or killed, except for the pilot.

Lieutenant Gorbet more than likely had plenty of warning and time to eject before making the decision to heroically steer the jet away from the school, said Russell Bower at the ceremony, who was a ninth-grader at Jinks during the crash.

A half century has past since the accident and much has changed. The former students are now grandparents of current Jinks Middle School students, and the F-86D Sabre has long been

retired and replaced with even more advanced fighter aircraft.

But for years the need for a memorial has tugged at the hearts of many former Jinks students and members of the Bay County Historical Society, who helped raise the \$1,800 for the monument, according to Rebecca Saunders, BCHS president.

"I believe all of us who were close to this event when it happened have thought many times over the years that we need to do something in honor of Lieutenant Gorbet, and finally we did," Ms. Saunders said, who remembers the accident as a fifth grader in a nearby school. "It should have been done many years ago, but we are pleased to finally honor and remember this forgotten hero."

"I sure am glad to see them do this," said Joyce Fox, a former Jinks student and now a grandmother. Without Lieutenant Gorbet's heroic efforts to avoid the school, she said, "Many of us would not be here today."

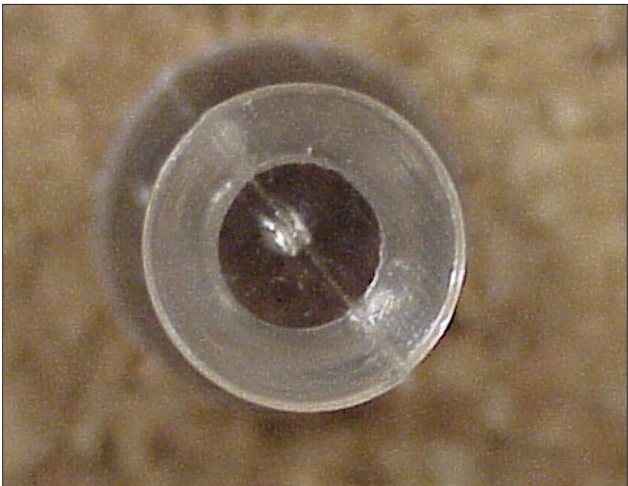


Master Sgt. Ed Best

Eagle’s landing

An F-15 Eagle comes in for a landing here recently as two more Eagles soar above. Tyndall is the home of AIR DOMINANCE TRAINING, teaching 159 pilots in 2004 to fly F-15 Eagles and F/A-22 Raptors.

Identify this...



Can you identify this object? If so, send an e-mail to editor@tyndall.af.mil with “Identify This” in the subject line. Three correct entries will be chosen at random and drawn from a hat to select the final winner. The prize can be claimed at the Public Affairs office.

There were no correct guesses for the Sept. 23 Identify This. Since no one could figure it out, we decided to bring back another stumper. This was first shown in the July 29 Gulf Defender. By the way, it is not a fish eye!

ON THE STREET

What do you miss most about being active duty?



“I miss the stability and the job security.”

ISABELLA WARD
Retired master sergeant



“I miss the uniform. Now I have to think about what I have to wear.”

PAUL KENNEDY
Retired master sergeant



“I miss the travel – being able to see the world.”

RALPH HAIRE
Retired master sergeant



“I miss the camaraderie and the chiefs group. Everyone had a chief to take care of them.”

DICK HERBERT
Retired chief master sergeant

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(Editor's note: The following is a letter from a Hurricane Katrina evacuee to the Tyndall Honor Guard NCO in charge.)

Dear Brig. Gen. Jack Egginton,

Hurricane Katrina took most of my personal possessions when she ravaged Biloxi, Miss. One thing I was able to save was a flag that was presented to me at Ramstein AB, Germany, on behalf of wounded troops from Iraq and Afghanistan.

When I dug it out of the muck and rubble, it was wet and moldy. The cleaners were able to remove the mold, but not the stains.

I then went to the Tyndall Honor Guard and asked them if they would please refold the flag for me. Without hesitation, they agreed. Senior Airman Matthew Bolado noticed the flag was stained and offered to replace it with a new one. I declined because of its great sentimental value, so he and Senior Airman Dante Dews proceeded to fold the flag with a high degree of dignity and respect.

As silent tears streamed down my face, I watched them and thought about how grateful I was to be alive and well, and how thankful I was to have been born an American and just what the beautiful Red, White and Blue represented. Then Airman Dews and Airman Bolado went above and beyond - they gently placed the flag in a beautiful wooden case before they returned it to me.

The impression they made on me will be everlasting. During times of high stress such as dealing with the aftermath of Katrina, many seemingly little acts of kindness usually go unnoticed or unappreciated. But it's one of the very personal acts rendered to me that I will warmly remember. Their caring and compassionate demeanor is deeply appreciated and I want to thank you for their courtesy, maturity and professionalism. And thank you for being there for me.

Respectfully,

Beverly Atkinson

Air Force's greatest investment - its people

MAJ. DONALD CLOCKSIN
325th Comptroller Squadron

Happy (Fiscal) New Year! Today is the last day of fiscal year 2005. Much has changed since our great nation's first fiscal year, way back during the days of our founding fathers.

Right now, I am reading the book, "1776" by David McCullough. This book definitely puts today's fiscal challenges into perspective. While we attempt to secure a few last minute "nice-to-haves," Gen. George Washington faced "the best-trained, best-equipped, most formidable military force on earth" with little to no funds at all. Not only

did he lack essential supplies, including gunpowder, he led "an undisciplined, poorly armed, volunteer force of farmers and tradesman." The British considered his army to be little more than "Rabble in Arms." Yet, this assortment of men from all walks of life found a way to succeed.

We have certainly come a long way since those humble beginnings. Today, the United States deploys the greatest military the world has ever known - a military that not only consists of a cross-section of men and women from all walks of life but one that also enjoys the benefits of investments in training and equipment. These investments are absolutely evident within the Air Force.

In addition to making sure we have all the "gunpowder" we need, our Air Force employs the latest technology with the best trained Airmen in the world.

The men and women of Tyndall AFB are directly tied to these investments each and every day. Just look at our wing's mission, "TRAIN AMERICA'S AIR DOMINANCE FORCE." Whether you are an instructor pilot for the F-15 or F/A-22, a security forces member guarding the gate or a financial manager like me, we are all contributing to this mission.

It is fairly easy to see how our instructors contribute to our mission, but it may be a bit more difficult for others to understand or articulate how they impact the mission. Our wing leadership certainly understands that all of us contribute to the mission. The wing's vision statement, "Total Force Professionals Sustaining the Current Force and Developing the Future of America's Center of Excellence for Air Dominance Training" is right to the point.

Creating an environment conducive to learning is one way many of us "support" personnel help to achieve the wing's mission. It might be a civil engineering expert making sure the ventila-

"Tyndall's mission is a vital component of America's military might."

MAJ. DONALD CLOCKSIN
325th Comptroller Squadron

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Action Line

Call 283-2255



BRIG. GEN. JACK EGGINTON
325th Fighter Wing commander

The Action Line is your direct line to me. It is one way to make Tyndall a better place to work and live.

The goal is to provide you with an accurate, timely response. You must leave your name, phone number or address to receive a response.

Questions or comments of general interest will be published in this forum. This avenue should only be used after coordinating problems or concerns with supervisors, commanders, first sergeants or facility managers.

If you're not satisfied with the response or

you are unable to resolve the problem, call me at 283-2255.

For fraud, waste and abuse calls, you should talk to the 325th Fighter Wing Inspector General's Office, 283-4646.

Calls concerning energy abuse should be referred to the energy hot line, 283-3995.

Below are more phone numbers that help you in resolving any issues with a base agency.

Commissary	283-4825
Pass and I.D.	283-4191
Medical and Dental	283-7515
MEO	283-2739

MPF	283-2276
SFS Desk Sgt.	283-2254
Services	283-2501
Legal	283-4681
Housing	283-2036
CDC	283-4747
Wing Safety	283-4231
Area Defense Counsel	283-2911
Finance	283-4117
Civil Engineer	283-4949
Civilian Personnel	283-3203
Base Information	283-1113

Thank you for helping me improve Tyndall and I look forward to hearing from you.

Fundraising is great – but ethics must still be applied

CAPT. ADAM FREY
45th Space Wing Staff Judge Advocate

Disaster has struck the Gulf Coast, and everyone from civilians to our brothers-in-arms at other bases is in desperate need of help.

Victims need volunteers, food, clothing, shelter, and of course, money. So how can we, as Department of Defense employees, help if we're not directly deploying.

Everyone in DOD, military and civilian alike, need to remember that certain DOD ethics regulations apply to fundraising. It's tempting to want to self-start a clothing or food drive and e-mail everyone on base to participate. Or, we might want to personally encourage everyone in our office to give to a particular charity.

However, either of these actions might amount to a serious ethics violation because DOD personnel aren't supposed to be officially endorsing private fundraisers, or using government resources to do so.

Does that mean that it's illegal for DOD employees to give to the hurricane relief efforts? Absolutely not. It simply means that we're restricted in using our job titles or resources in promoting certain causes. We're trying to avoid wasting government resources or having the DOD's name associated with a particular charity, risking the appearance of playing favorites.

With that in mind, there are several permissible avenues of help you can provide:

- The best way for federal employ-

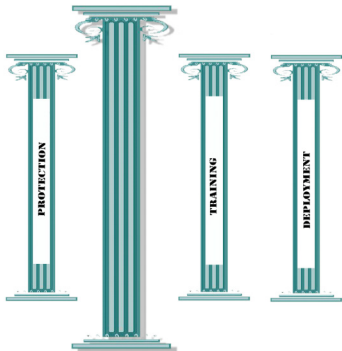
ees to provide assistance is through cash contributions directly to relief organizations. President Bush has identified the American Red Cross (www.redcross.org), the Salvation Army (www.salvationarmyusa.org) and the new Bush-Clinton Katrina Fund (www.bushclintonkatrinafund.org) as only a few examples.

- The Federal Emergency Management Agency has developed a list and instructions on how to provide immediate cash donations to those affected by Hurricane Katrina; check www.fema.gov for more information.
- Federal employees may also wish to contribute through the annual Combined Federal Campaign. Many of the charities involved in Katrina efforts will participate in the CFC, which gives you

the option of contributing cash or a payroll deduction. See your CFC representative when the time comes.

The bottom line is that contributing to relief efforts is absolutely commendable, but still needs to be done within our DOD ethics rules. If you have questions, contact the Base Legal Office.

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This week in Tyndall history ...

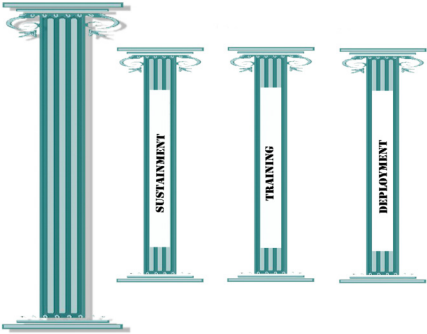
Sept. 28, 1894 – Lt. Frank B. Tyndall was born at Sewalls Point, Fla. Lieutenant Tyndall flew during World War I and scored four aerial victories. After the lieutenant lost his life in 1930 while inspecting Army airfields near Mooresville, N.C., it was suggested by Florida Congressman Bob Sikes to rename the new Army Airfield near Panama City Tyndall Field.



Military paralegal gets 12-year prison sentence

LACKLAND AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) — Staff Sgt. Ramona Greiner was sentenced to 12 years in prison after pleading guilty to conspiracy to commit premeditated murder, solicitation to commit murder and dereliction of duty for failing to maintain a professional relationship.

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Sergeant Greiner, a paralegal with the 37th Training Wing’s legal office here, pleaded guilty to all three charges before the sentencing phase began Sept. 20. She also received a demotion in rank to E-1 and a dishonorable discharge.

Capt. Barry Brown, a lawyer also assigned to the 37th TW, pleaded guilty to similar charges Sept. 13 and was sentenced to 18 years in prison and dismissal from the Air Force. Accord-

ing to the charges, their relationship led to hiring someone to kill Captain Brown’s wife.

AF Climate Survey to launch

Pharmacy co-pay waiver for military hurricane victims

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) — Airmen have the power to shape the future when the 2005 Air Force Climate Survey launches Oct. 1.

“The direction we take depends on you!” said Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Gerald Murray. “The motto of the 2005 Climate Survey, ‘Speak Today, Shape Tomorrow,’ accurately reflects the impact this survey has on our Air Force. It’s your chance to provide honest and straightforward an-

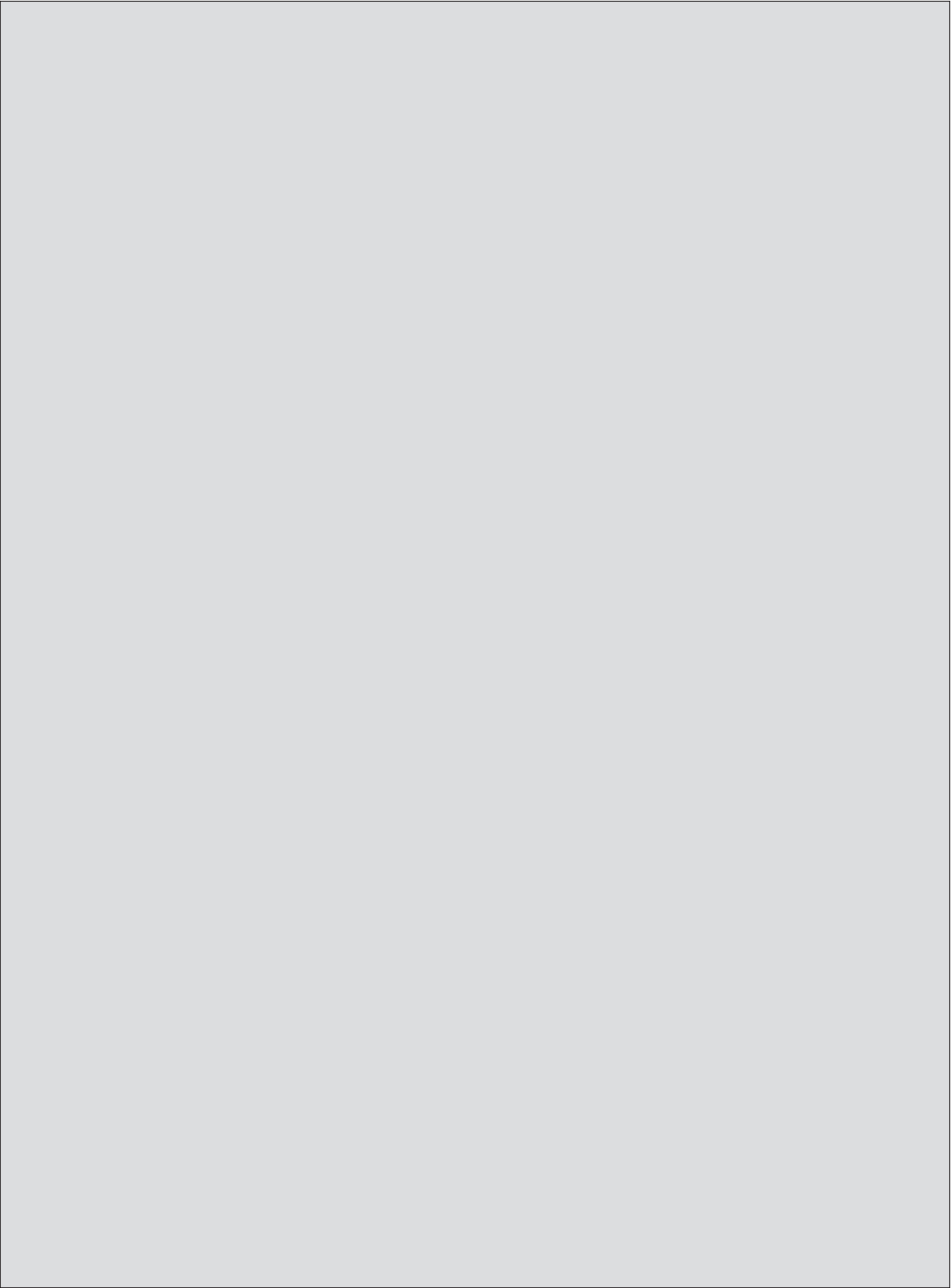
swers to issues that directly affect you and your fellow Airmen. Your identity is protected and every response is reviewed for consideration.”

The survey, offered every two years since 1997, measures how people feel about leadership, supervision, training, recognition and other aspects of the Air Force. This year’s survey also measures enduring competencies such as effective communication, teamwork, judgment and adaptation under pressure.

The survey provides a total force perspective and includes active-duty members, civilians, the Air Force Reserve Command and Air National Guard.

The survey runs through Nov. 23 and can be completed online anytime during the survey period from either a government or personal computer. The survey can be found at <https://afclimatesurvey.af.mil/>.

(Courtesy of Air Force Manpower Agency Public Affairs)



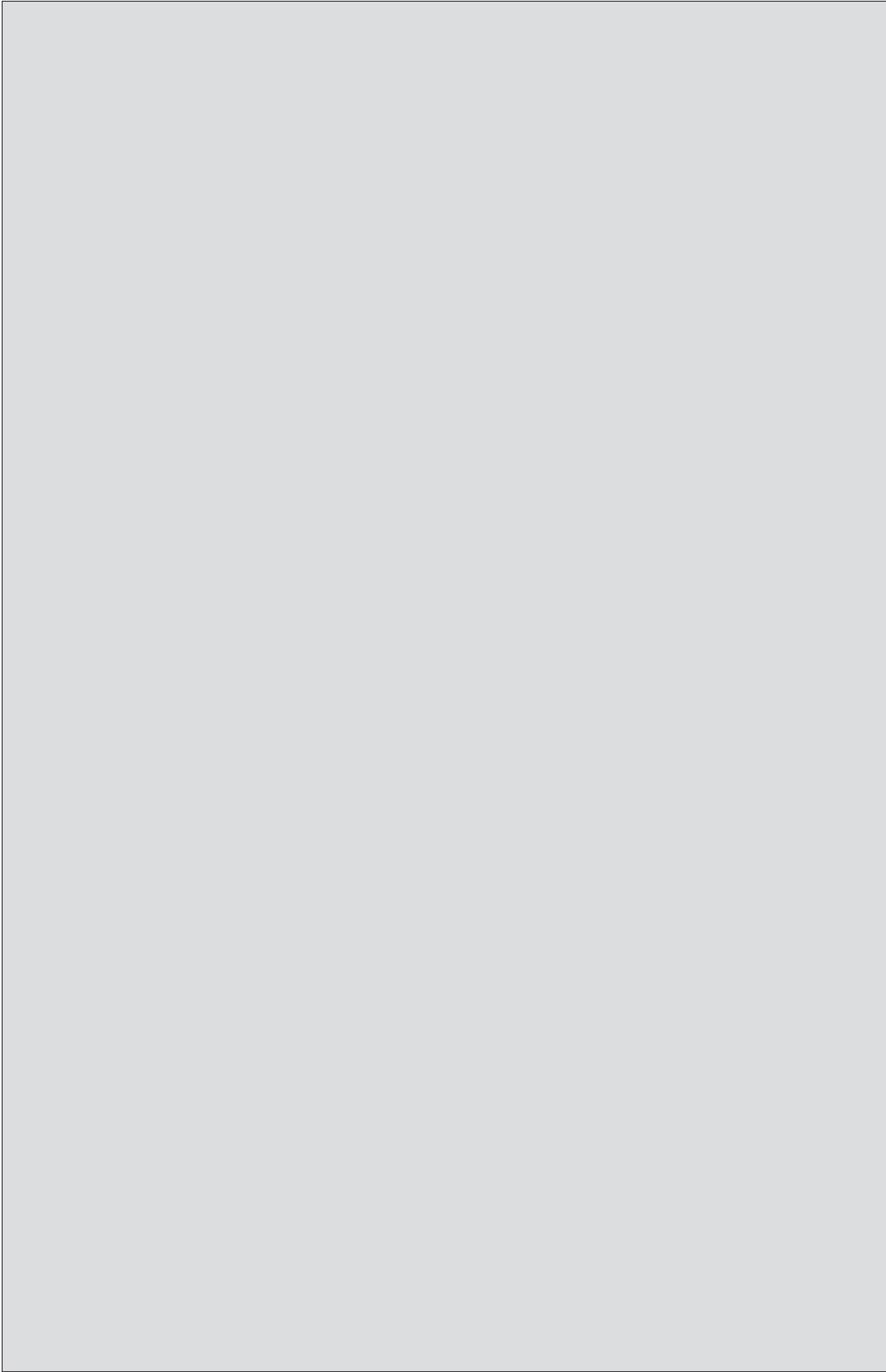
FALLS CHURCH, Va. (AFPN) — Department of Defense officials have extended the waiver of pharmacy co-pays through Sept. 30 for Tricare beneficiaries affected by Hurricane Katrina unable to pay it.

In addition, Tricare officials have been working closely with retail pharmacies and their pharmacy contractor to ensure that military evacuees maintain access to their prescription benefits.

For example, beneficiaries displaced by the hurricane may request their prescription records at military treatment facilities in the Gulf Coast be transferred to other military or retail pharmacies nationwide.

For assistance, hurricane victims may call the DOD pharmacy operations center at (866) 275-4732.

(Courtesy of Tricare Management Activity)



New kiosks offer wide range of AF information

AIRMAN 1ST CLASS BRANDEN BELUSH
325th Comptroller Squadron

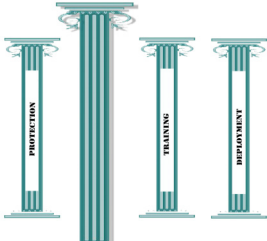
The 325th Comptroller Squadron along with Air Education and Training Command has made accessing personal information easier by installing two “Air Force Onestop” interactive computer kiosks.

To reach a majority of the base population, the kiosks were installed at two high-traffic areas – the Berg-Liles Dining Facility and the Base Exchange.

“We chose the BX to hit the base population to include retirees. We chose the dining facility to give Airmen 24-hour access,” said Senior Master Sgt. Raymond Graber, 325th CPTS superintendent.

The kiosks play a big part in finance and personnel’s mission to make it easier to gain access to the “self help” Web sites DOD has set up for its members.

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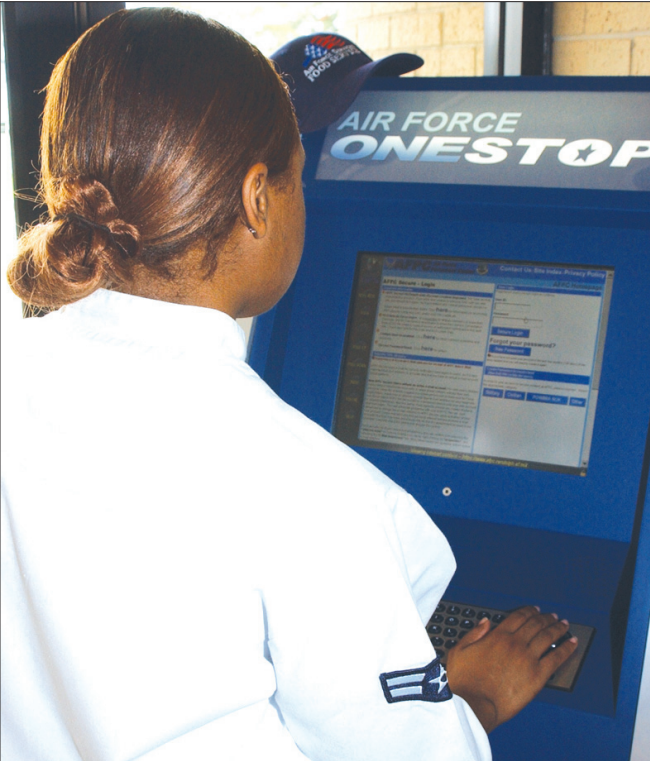
By using the kiosks, Airmen can find out a variety of information, including finance and personnel matters, housing and health and wellness information, and various

other military-related issues and base services. “The kiosks allow members to do a wide range of things,” added 1st Lt. Robert Bravo, 325th CPTS financial services officer. “Airmen can now access things like the My Pay Web site, vMPF, information about the local area and many other things on the go. Members who work swing or unique shifts and do not have normal access are now able to view their financial information at any time.”

In addition, Airmen without Internet access at home now have access to essential information provided by Air Force Web sites without making a trip to the customer service lobby.

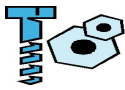
The kiosks are user friendly, too. There is virtually no operation down time for the machine. When the kiosk becomes inoperable, the main computer hub in San Antonio stops receiving information from the unit and informs the kiosk manager. There is minimal time between problem and solution so that the kiosk can continue to work for the customers.

Tyndall is not the only base in AETC to use these kiosks. Sheppard AFB, Texas, and Keesler AFB, Miss., have had the kiosks for some time and have found them to be very helpful in improving quality of life and enhancing mission readiness.

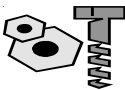


Staff Sgt. Benjamin Rojek

Airman 1st Class Terri Williams, 325th Services Squadron, looks up information on an Air Force Onestop kiosk at the Berg-Liles Dining Facility.



Golden Bolt Award



Airman 1st Class Barry Wiles Jr., 2nd Aircraft Maintenance Unit avionics specialist, opens a panel on an F-15 Eagle to work on the radar. Airman Wiles is the Golden Bolt winner for the month of August. He found the Golden Bolt in Hangar 2 under an engine trailer.

Staff Sgt. Benjamin Rojek

Red tide deadly to fish, causes minor human health problems

1ST LT. SCOTT H. BOYLE
325th Aeromedical-Dental Squadron

Those who have been enjoying the pleasures of the beach may have noticed an unusually high number of dead fish washed ashore.

The most likely culprit is *Karenia brevis*, a marine alga commonly known as red tide. When environmental conditions are right, this organism can grow quickly, creating highly-concentrated blooms that can make the ocean appear red or brown.

The growth of red tide is monitored by the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, which tests for the presence of the algae by collecting water samples in areas suspected of having blooms. Red tide was recently detected moving west along the shores of Franklin County near Apalachicola; however, as of the last sampling event Sept. 2, its presence has not been confirmed in Bay County waters. Red tide is not an unusual occurrence around this time of year, and it can be expected to linger in the area through the fall and early winter. More information pertaining to the monitoring of red tide movement can be found on the FWCC Web site at www.floridamarine.org.

Typically, the first sign of red tide is an increase in dead fish as it produces a toxin that affects their nervous system, paralyzing them and rendering them unable to breathe. Fortunately, red tide has much less of an impact on human health.

Breaking waves can cause some of the toxin to mix with sea spray that can be inhaled, resulting in symptoms similar to a cold, including eye, nose, and throat irritation, along with coughing and wheezing. Red tide does not lead to any long-term health problems and symptoms usually go away once a person leaves the immediate red tide area, in this case the beach. People with severe or chronic respiratory conditions are cautioned to avoid red tide areas.

Red tide can also impact human health via the consumption of shellfish, as they are not affected by the toxin, which they filter out of the water and concentrate in their tissues. Consumption of shellfish can result in neurotoxic shellfish poisoning, a disease with acute gastrointestinal and neurological symptoms that are typically resolved within a few days of onset.

On the other hand, the meat of fresh, healthy fish should be safe to eat, because they are highly affected by the



Courtesy photo

Piles of dead fish wash up on a beach after dying from red tide. Although fish will die if exposed to red tide, humans will only experience minor health problems.

red tide toxin and would already be dead if exposed. However, any fin fish harvested from red tide affected waters should be carefully filleted and cooked fresh, avoiding consumption of roe and internal organs.

And lastly, the all-important question; is it safe to swim in waters in which red tide is present? For the vast majority of

people the answer is yes, although some people have reported minor skin irritation afterwards.

Questions concerning red tide here at Tyndall can be directed to the 325th Civil Engineer Squadron Natural Resources Office at 283-2641. Those experiencing any adverse health effects should contact their health care provider.

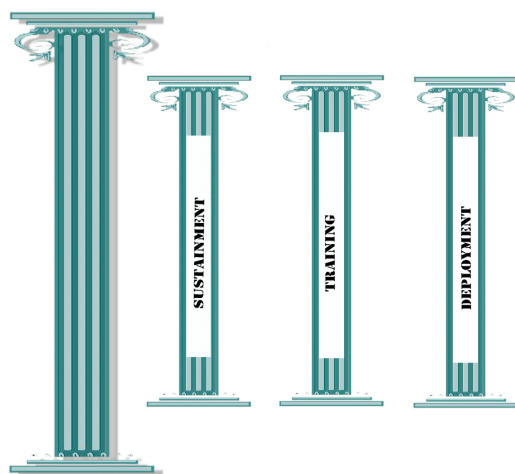
Tips for preventing fires before, after hurricanes

MICHAEL NEWBURY
Tyndall Fire and Emergency Services

People are often reminded throughout the year about how to protect themselves and their homes from fires.

Fireworks, candles, camp fires and holiday fire safety usually top the list when discussing fire prevention, but what doesn't get enough attention is fire prevention during hurricanes.

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Different people prepare for hurricanes in different ways, but exercising caution and thinking safety before, during and after the storm is vitally important. However, some preparations people take are dangerous and should be avoided.

Vehicles. Recently some base residents have parked motorcycles inside their houses in an attempt to shield the vehicles from damaging winds and rain during a hurricane. Recreational vehicles, four-wheelers, motorcycles and other similar vehicles are not authorized to be parked inside a government home, according to TAFBI 32-2001.

Prior to the next storm, it is a good idea to make preparations for the safeguarding of these items in a way that does not endanger other residents or government property.

Gasoline/Propane. Do not stockpile these materials or store them inside the house. Fill only vehicle gas tanks and propane cylinders for portable grills. Normally commercial power is restored within a few days. Excess flammable materials present a serious hazard when stored inside the home.

Propane/Charcoal Grills. Do not use grills (propane or charcoal) inside the house, underneath a car-


port or inside the garage. It is estimated that 19 deaths occur each year due to charcoal being burned inside the home. An estimated 300 deaths occur each year due to carbon monoxide poisoning.

Carbon monoxide is a colorless, odorless gas that is a by-product of combustion. Even when the charcoal grill fire is out, the hot coals still release carbon monoxide gas.


Windows. Just as preparing for a hurricane is important, it is also essential to return the home to normal as soon as possible, especially the windows. If windows were boarded up before the storm, remove the boards as soon as possible after the storm. The covered windows can trap people inside. In Homestead, Fla., during September 2004, four children and their stepfather were killed by a fast spreading house fire. The windows of their home were still boarded up after recent hurricane warnings.


This hurricane season is not over. Remember, preparations can have unintended consequences, which could be the difference between life and death.

For more information, contact the 325th Civil Engineer Squadron fire prevention office at 283-2909 or the Readiness Flight at 283-2854.



FOD Finder of the Month



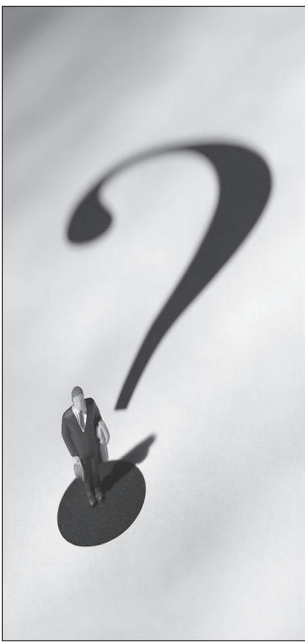


Staff Sgt. Casey Schmid, 325th Maintenance Squadron ammunitions specialist, repacks flare squibs at the munitions maintenance facility here. Sergeant Schmid is the Foreign Object Debris Finder of the Month for August. He found an adapter in a 20 mm universal ammunition loading system after it came back from the flightline.

Staff Sgt. Benjamin Rojek


Did you know ...

Government travel card users are required to make a payment within 30 days of billing despite the length of your temporary duty assignment or deployment. If they use the government travel card en route to their TDY or deployed location, they may have to make a payment prior to their return. Air Force Personnel Center has made it possible to file an electronic Accrual Travel Voucher online. Users can log-on from any location, any time, and specify what amount to pay to the government travel card. Those needing to file a voucher can go to www.afpc.randolph.af.mil, log in to virtual Military Personnel Flight and select the Accrual Travel Voucher link on the right side of the page.



Checkertail Salute

Tech. Sgt. Michael Edwards



Sergeant Edwards receives the Checkertail Salute Warrior of the Week award from Col. Brian Dickerson, 325th Fighter Wing vice commander.

The Checkertail Clan salutes Sergeant Edwards, 325th Aeromedical-Dental Squadron. He delivered 25,969 procedures, valued at \$397,110. He also took on 50 cases from Keesler AFB, Miss., during its staffing shortages and recent shutdown of operations due to Hurricane Katrina.

Duty title: Dental laboratory element NCO in charge
Time on station: Three years
Time in service: Twelve years
Hometown: Benton, Ill.
Hobbies: Golf, Florida Gator football games and softball
Favorite movie: "Legends of the Fall"
Favorite book: "The Testament" by John Grisham
Favorite thing about Tyndall: The beaches and the nice people
Goals: To make senior NCO
Proudest moment in the military: Being deployed to Dover AFB, Del., after 9/11 and helping families get closer with identifying victims

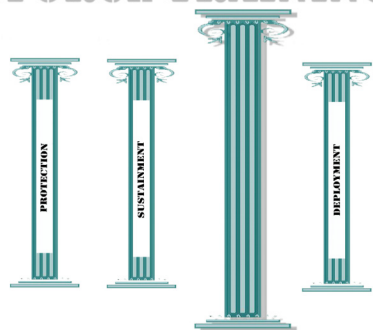
The Checkertail Salute is a 325th Fighter Wing commander program designed to recognize Tyndall's Warrior of the Week. Supervisors can nominate individuals via their squadron and group commanders. Award recipients receive a certificate, letter from the commander and a one-day pass.

The Gulf Defender is published for people like Staff Sgt. Sheyney Burkhalter, 53rd Test Support Squadron communications NCO in charge.





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Training Spotlight

What is the biggest challenge in changing airframes?

“The most challenging part is breaking all of your old habits and building new ones.”



CAPT. GEOFF LOHMILLER
43rd Fighter Squadron
F/A-22 Raptor student pilot

Sky to screen: ACMI records aerial missions

STAFF SGT. BENJAMIN ROJEK

325th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

If you want to see every F-15 Eagle flying from Compass Lake to about 158 nautical miles south over the Gulf of Mexico, there is only one place on Tyndall to go: Air Combat Maneuver Instrumentation.

According to Skip Sanders, ACMI functional director, ACMI uses a global positioning system installed in a pod on the jets to get a real-time, 3-D display of every mission flying within their range.

“Before ACMI began in 1978, the pilots spoke into a tape recorder and took notes on the mission,” Mr. Sanders continued. “The instructors then used this information to draw on a board during debrief. ACMI is a much higher fidelity training tool for the students.”

Through the use of the GPS and 10 radio towers, six in the Gulf of Mexico and four on land, display and debrief system technicians can watch, record and playback each mission. To help the students in the debrief, they can also switch the “camera” to three different views: overhead, showing just the jets or the jets over the terrain; pilot’s view, showing the view out of the cockpit of a selected jet, with the ability to look around 360 degrees; and chase view, looking at a selected jet from the point of view of another jet. In the latter POV, the technicians can also change the distance from and angle around the selected jet.

“The ACMI equipment helps student pilots better understand how well we engage in fighting maneuvers because we can see



2nd Lt. William Powell

Capt. Phil Gilcreast, left, 1st Fighter Squadron instructor pilot, debriefs 1st Lt. Jason Roth, 1st FS student pilot, Tuesday at an Air Combat Maneuver Instrumentation display system.

the mission from different perspectives,” said 1st Lt. Jason Roth, 1st Fighter Squadron student pilot. “With the lessons learned from the debrief, we know what we can do to improve ourselves.”

It is not only important to the student pilots, but to the air battle manager students as well.

According to Capt. Barry Spells, 325th Air Control Squadron instructor, the way ACMI sees the mission is completely different than the way that the ABM students see it.

“The ABM radar sweeps every 12 seconds, so everything we see is approximately 12 seconds old,” Captain Spells said. “And although we can still effectively complete

the mission, ACMI allows us to give the students a better picture of how quickly things happen during the mission.”

With the use of the ACMI during debrief, however, the ABM instructors and students can see if a bad call was the result of a student mistake or the limitations of their radar system. The debrief is also a time for ABM students and student pilots to communicate face to face.

“Student pilots and ABM students are in the same boat – they’re learning,” said the captain. “Through their interaction, they build a good rapport and that’s a good thing because they will likely cross paths in the future.”

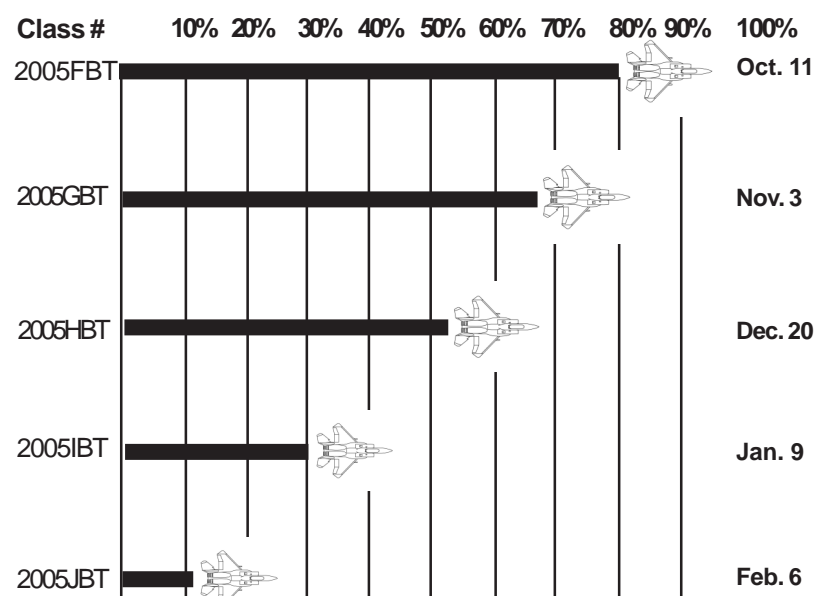


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Sharp dressers

Tech. Sgt. Antonio Johnson, left, holds his flight's guidon as they practice an open ranks inspection Monday here. The technical sergeants are students of the NCO Academy. The students have three formal inspections during the six-week course to ensure they comply with uniform wear requirements.

F-15 Eagle B-Course progress chart





Competition flares as Airmen, squadrons tackle Tyndall Sports Day

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More than 100 Airmen kick off Tyndall Sports Day with a 10K run Wednesday morning at the Fitness Center. There were more than a dozen different events Airmen could compete in all day. Matthew Simmons, 53rd Weapons Evaluation Group, had the fastest time for the men in the 10K race, with a time of 38:48. Lisa Weis, 325th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, was the first female to cross the finish line at 52:13.



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Above: Matt Andrews, left, 325th Air Control Squadron, and Daryl Shannon, 325th Communications Squadron, race to the finish line in the 50 meter dash. Ra'Sean Davis, 325th Operations Support Squadron, took first place for the men, and Terri Watkins, 325th Maintenance Operations Squadron, had the fastest female time. Right: LeThomas Lee, 325th Maintenance Squadron, heaves a keg during the keg toss event at the Enlisted Club volleyball sand court. Eric Mack, 325th MOS, won that event with the farthest throw of more than 35 feet.



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Members of the 325th CS battle the 325th MOS in a sand volleyball game at the E'Club volleyball sand court. The 325th MOS won the event.

And the winners are...	
Place	Winner
1st	325th MOS
2nd	325th MOS
3rd	325th MOS
4th	325th MOS



From left, Patrick Tarin, 325th MOS, and Mike Kapre, 325th ACS, dive into the base swimming pool for the 28th Test Squadron/Detachment 2. Candee Herbert, 325th OSS, won the event.





Lisa Norman

the 325th ACS during the tug of war
d court. The CS won that match-up,
overall.

Winners are ...	
	Points
h MOS	320
h ACS	315
h CS	265
h OSS	225



Lisa Norman

OS, Jared Urness, 325th MXS, Chris
ilian, Southeast Area Defense Sector,
or the 50 meter swim. Christian Fuller,
2, swam the fastest for the men, and
the event for the women.



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Isaac Gibson

Luke Goossen, 82nd Aerial Targets Squadron, runs
around the track as part of the Checkertail Fitness
Challenge. Competitors had to do sit-ups, push-ups
and run one mile. The 325th MXS won the event.



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Above: Mikita Brown, 325th ACS, sprints down
the track during the 50 meter dash.
Left: Members of the 325th ACS run with a life-
size dummy while wearing gas masks as part
of the Mission Oriented Protective Posture
challenge. Competitors had to quickly don their
gas masks, carry two vehicle tires through an
obstacle course, carry the “downed pilot”
dummy, exercise, low crawl and finally push a
heavy truck to the finish line. The 325th Mission
Support Squadron finished with the fastest time
and won the event.



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Above: Walter Wingard Jr.,
front, and Robert Edwards,
both from 325th MSS, low
crawl during the MOPP
challenge. Their team
finished first.
Left: Danielle Minamy, 325th ACS, gets set to sprint
the 100 meter dash. Terri
Watkins, 325th MOS, had the
fastest female time in both
the 100 meter and 50 meter
dash. Tarance Givens,
325th Medical Operations
Squadron, finished in first
place for the men.



Lisa Norman

Kyle Miller, 325th MOS, gasps for air as he swims the 100 meter event.
Christian Fuller, 28th TS/Det. 2, and Candee Herbert, 325th OSS, won both
the 100 meter and 50 meter race.

Briefs

RAO volunteers

The Retiree Activities Office is seeking volunteers to assist with the various tasks associated with running the office. The RAO is an all-volunteer organization that provides assistance and information to Tyndall's retiree community on retiree-related issues. Those interested in volunteering should contact the office by e-mail at tyndall.RAO@tyndall.af.mil at 283-2737.

POW/MIA coin

The Tyndall POW/MIA Recognition Day Committee is offering the POW/MIA coin to all Tyndall personnel. The cost is \$10 and must be paid prior to placing an order. For more information or to purchase a coin, contact Senior Master Sgt. Jerald Brooks at jerald.brooks@tyndall.af.mil with the following information: Name, squadron, duty phone number and number of coins to be purchased.

Tricare Hurricane Katrina Web page

The Tricare Management Activity's Hurricane Katrina Web page is now live. The Web address is [www.tricare.osd.mil/Hurricane Katrina/index.cfm](http://www.tricare.osd.mil/Hurricane%20Katrina/index.cfm). For health-care inquiries, call the Tricare contractor toll-free at (800) 444-5445 or the clinic Tricare operations office at 283-7331.

Military Family Employment Specialist

A Military Family Employment Specialist will be available at the Family Support Center 8:30–11:30 a.m. every Wednesday. The employment specialist is available to assist military spouses with job placement and referral for positions in the Panama City area and to register spouses in the workforce employment system. For more information or to make an appointment, call the FSC at 283-4204.

Clinic laboratory hours change

The 325th Medical Group clinical laboratory services hours have changed to 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday–Friday. For more information, call Maj. Rose Cantu at 283-7430.

ERAU registration

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Winter 2005 Term Registration will be



Capt. David Vetter

To the rescue

A Tyndall firefighter helps an "injured" passenger walk to safety after a simulated plane crash Sept. 23 at the Panama City Airport. The simulated accident was a part of the major accident response exercise that included civilian and military authorities.

from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Oct. 11–14 and Oct. 17 in Bldg. 1230, Room 49. Class dates are Oct. 18–Dec. 19. For more information, call 283-4557.

Troy University

Troy University has Web registration for Term II until Oct. 9. Troy University students can drop or add classes from Oct. 10–14. Any classes dropped during this week will incur a fee.

Also, Oct. 14 is the last day to add a class to a schedule and is the deadline for seniors to file their intent to graduate in Term III. For more information, call 283-4449.

GCCC mid-term classes

Gulf Coast Community College Tyndall Center has two mid-term classes, Western Civilization II and Macro Economics, starting in October. There will also be two non-credit courses offered: Excel Intermediate and Access Intermediate. For more information, call 283-4332.

Commissary news

Many Commissary customers have been buying various items for the relief efforts. Unfortunately, many people are buying everything on the shelves. The Commissary asks its patrons to place a special order for their items if they are going to buy in bulk to alleviate the problem of running out of items until the next delivery arrives.

Tricare briefing

A Tricare benefit briefing will be held

from 6–8 p.m. Nov. 15 at the Gulf Beach Baptist Church located on Hutchison Boulevard in Panama City Beach. Health care information will be provided for all categories of Tricare beneficiaries. For more information, call the 325th Medical Group's Tricare Operations office at 283-7331.

Tricare Online

The DOD's Internet portal to Tricare and health care information, Tricare Online, is available to all Tricare beneficiaries. Registered users can book appointments online. For more information, log on to www.tricareonline.com.

Airman's Attic

Family Services and the Airman's Attic are open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday–Friday in Bldg. 747. Call the Family Services office at 283-4913 or the Family Support Center at 283-4204 for more information.

Thrift Shop hours

All donated clothing will be half price until Saturday. Fall and winter clothing may be brought in for consignment starting Oct. 5. Halloween items are already arriving in the store.

Normal operating hours are 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday–Friday, with consignments from 9:30–11:30 a.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. The Thrift Shop is located in Bldg. 743 on Suwannee Drive across from the Base Post Office. For more information, call 286-5888.

**Catholic services**

Daily Mass, 11:30 a.m. Monday–Friday, Chapel Two
Reconciliation, before Saturday Mass or by appointment
Saturday Mass, 5 p.m., Chapel Two
Sunday Mass, 9:30 a.m., Chapel Two
Religious Education, 11 a.m., Bldg. 1476

Protestant services

Traditional worship service, 9:30 a.m., Chapel One
Contemporary worship service, 11 a.m., Chapel Two
Wednesday Fellowship, 5 p.m., Chapel Two

Muslim services

Dhuhr Prayer, Monday–Thursday, Spiritual Maintenance building near the flightline
Jumauh services, 12:30 p.m. the second and fourth Friday of each month, Spiritual Maintenance building near flightline



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Catch the kick

Jonathan Cowell, right, and James Capra lunge for the ball as a runner sprints to second base during a kickball game Wednesday at Heritage Field. The players were from the 325th Air Control Squadron. The unit took some time during Tyndall Sports Day to have fun and exercise as a squadron.

Injuries, CES take Week 3

PIGSKIN PROGNOSTICATOR
From the home of the water birds

Injuries, injuries, injuries! What was up with all the injuries during Week 3? New England lost safety Rodney Harrison for the rest of the season, the Jets lost two quarterbacks in one game, and Buffalo lost Pro Bowl linebacker Takeo Spikes. Things are getting interesting.

Speaking of getting interesting, check out 325th CES. They came in from a one game deficit to pull up to 20 points, getting 12 picks right and winning a tie with 325th OSS after Monday night's game. Will they be the sleeper team of the season?

The First Sergeants remain in the lead with 31 points. Paul Cornell is making some consistently good picks, but one slip up and the Shirts could end up being taken to the cleaners.

And while 325th MOS has been holding their position at fourth place, they have put their dreams of moving into the top three on the shoulders of their commander, Eric North. He took time

out to explain the secret to his success. “(The secret is) the ability to factor in all of the seasons statistics, compare those against the opponents they are playing, researching the injury list and the impact that person might have on the outcome and then check the teams’ last three years home and road records in various climates,” North explained. “After that is all done we throw that sheet away and just pick them according to who we think will win.”

Since he seemed so sure his team would win, I had to ask him why. “Are you kidding me? I can’t believe you asked me that question!” North answered. “By the end of the season 325th MOS will be drinking champagne from the trophies bowl and listening to all the LOSERS chant, ‘Wait until next year!’ Next question?”

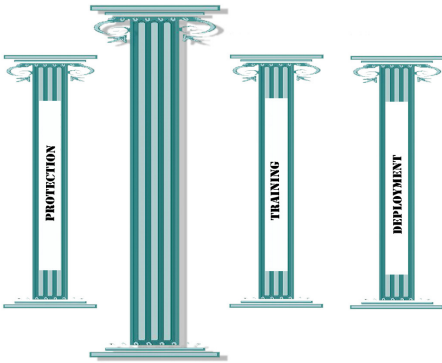
And as for me? Well, maybe I underestimated Team Tyndall’s football pickers. Maybe this will finally humble me. Not!

Now, let’s get out there and watch some football!

Prognosticator scorebox

Team	Week 3	Total
PIG-PROG	9	23
First Sgts.	10	31
325th OSS	12	29
53rd WEG	10	28
325th MOS	10	27
325th AMXS	11	27
325th SVS	8	26
325th MDOS	10	26
325th CS	11	26
325th ACS	9	25
325th MSS	9	25
323rd MXS	10	25
325th CPTS	8	24
2nd FS	7	23
325th CONS	8	23
325th SFS	10	23
NCOA	9	22
823rd RHS	9	21
325th CES	13	20
AFRL	9	14
325th OG	6	11
1st FS	0	6

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Intramural Sports Standings

Football							
American				National			
Team	W	L	Tie	Team	W	L	Tie
43rd AMU	6	1	0	ACS	6	0	0
OSS	5	3	0	SFS	6	0	0
1st AMU	3	4	0	CES	4	2	0
MXS	3	4	1	COMM	4	2	0
83rd FWS	3	4	0	601st EAOG	4	3	0
AFCESA	2	5	0	SVS	2	3	0
53rd WEG	1	6	0	TEST	2	3	1
CPTS	1	7	0	CONS	2	4	0
				MDG	2	5	0

Golf Championship

Congratulations to 325th CES and AFCESA for making it to the Intramural Golf Championship. The final game will be held at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Pelican Point Golf Course. They begin at Hole 1. For more information on intramural golf, contact your squadron sports representative or the Tyndall Fitness Center at 283-2631. For more information on playing golf at Pelican Point, call 283-4389.

Pig-Prog vs. 325th MXS

Buffalo @ New Orleans	New Orleans
Denver @ Jacksonville	Jacksonville
Detroit @ Tampa Bay	Tampa Bay
Houston @ Cincinnati	Cincinnati
Indianapolis @ Tennessee	Indianapolis
San Diego @ New England	San Diego
Seattle @ Washington	Seattle
St. Louis @ N.Y. Giants	St. Louis
N.Y. Jets @ Baltimore	Baltimore
Dallas @ Oakland	Oakland
Minnesota @ Atlanta	Atlanta
Philadelphia @ Kansas City	Philadelphia
San Francisco @ Arizona	San Francisco
Green Bay @ Carolina - 35 points	38 points

The Pig-Prog beat 325th CPTS in the Week 3 challenge 9-8. And you can count on it happening again!

Tyndall can help hurricane victims through Adopt-A-Family program

AIRMAN 1ST CLASS SARAH McDOWELL
325th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Through the time of this natural disaster, it has been said that the best way to help is to donate money. But, some people may have something more immediately valuable to donate in some of the evacuees' eyes – space.

The Tyndall Family Support Center has many opportunities for those who would like to volunteer their assistance. In the Tyndall Adopt-a-Family program, sponsors have the choice to help those in need with pet care, meal share, transportation, child care and room and board.

"The FSC is where people can come to sign up," said Master Sgt. David Brett, 325th Mission Support Squadron

FSC NCO in-charge. "Here they can identify special needs of a family and help in any way needed."

Some of the questions asked to determine what would best suit a sponsor to an evacuee are "Would a family like to host an evacuee for a meal?" "Would

a family like to offer lodging to a family in need?" "Can a family take in pets, children or people with special needs?" "Is a family able to provide transportation?"

Once a person identifies himself

as a host, he will get matched up by the FSC with a family.

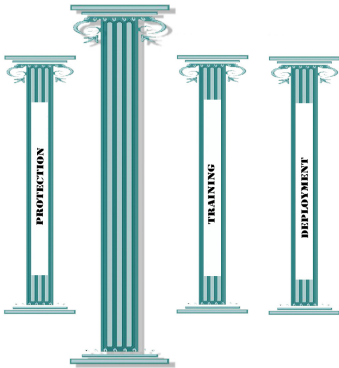
"We have so many people who want to help," said Michelle Ritsema, the program's coordinator. "We are trying to match the needs of the family with

what the volunteers have to offer."

There are many ways to offer up help to the evacuees of the hurricane, not just money or space, she added.

"You can offer your home for a pet, so the family doesn't have to pay kennel costs, you can offer a hot meal or provide transportation," she said. "If people have anything they want to offer up, no matter how small it may seem, they should definitely call because chances are there will be a need for it."

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Congratulations to Tyndall's Air Force Marathon team!

David Shaw, 325th CS
Lance Souther, 325th CS
Chris Myers, 325th CS
Trevor Teeslink, 325th ACS



The Air Force Marathon took place Sept. 17 at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Tyndall's team took 2nd place overall in the open men's relay, coming in at 3 hours and 24 seconds. There were 222 teams that participated.




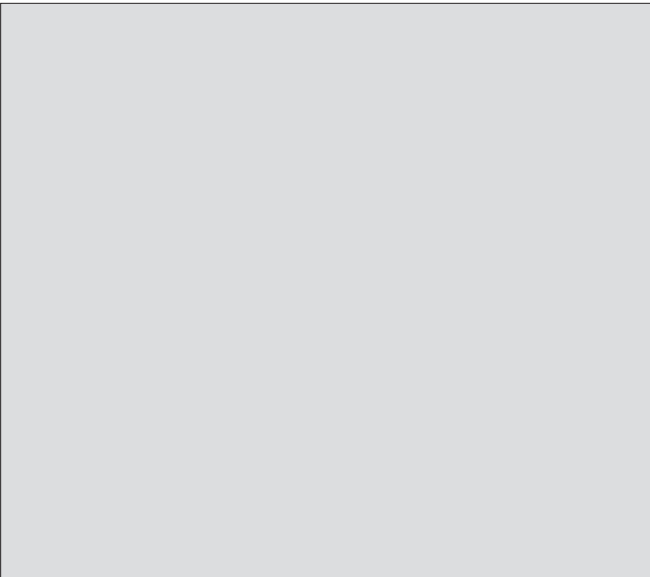
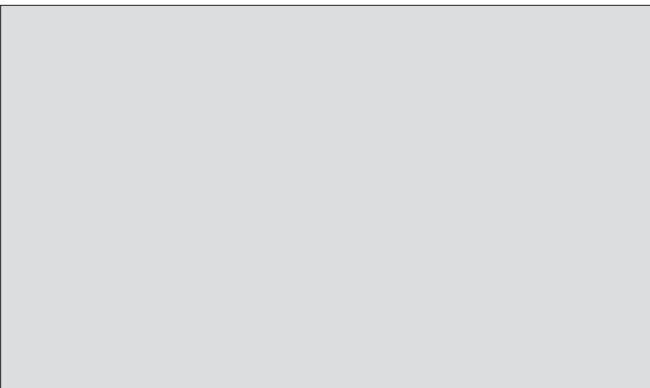
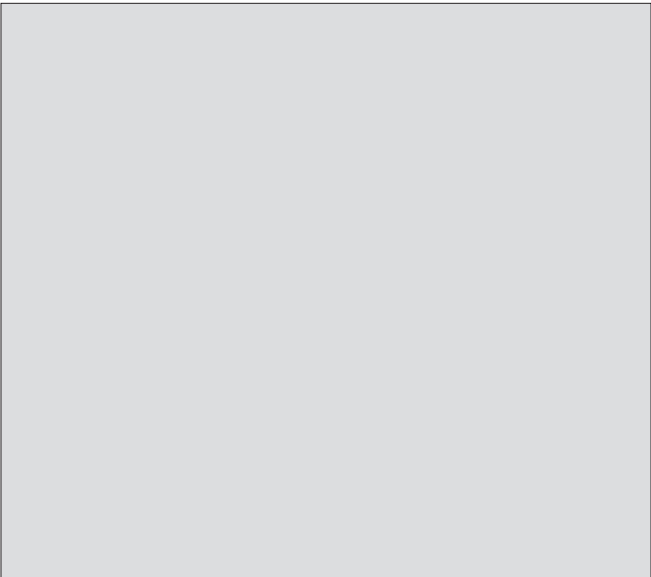
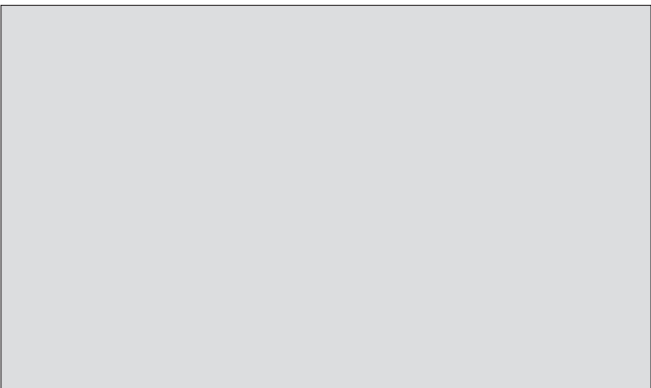
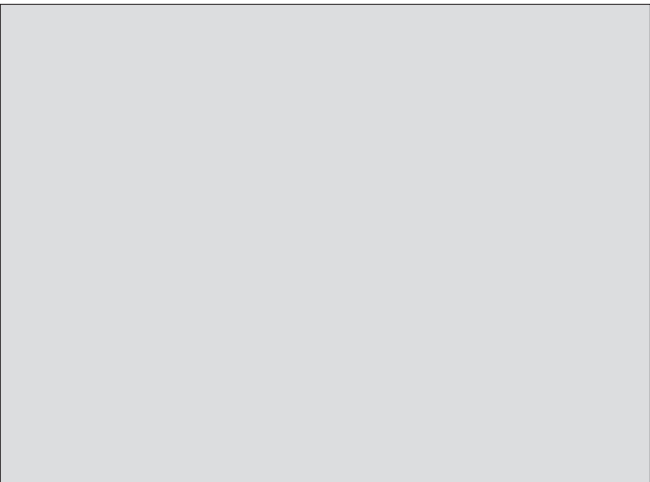
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Put Eagle Eyes into action

2ND LT. ASHLEY CONNER
22nd Air Refueling Wing Public Affairs

MCCONNELL AIR FORCE BASE, Kan. (AFPN) — Two men were spotted at the end of the runway at a nearby Air Force base, one holding a large metal tube on his shoulder and the other with a camera.

The incident caused airborne planes from that base to land at McConnell AFB. The suspicious activity was found not to be credible; however, it was significant that the suspicious activity was reported by a phone call to an Air Force Office of Special Investigations agent. The “Eagle Eyes” of one individual could have prevented a potentially bad situation from becoming worse.

Eagle Eyes is an OSI anti-terrorism initiative that enlists the eyes and ears of Airmen, civilians and family members in the war on terrorism. It is designed to train civilians and servicemembers to recognize elements of potential terrorist activity. Additionally, it allows for rapid follow-up investigations and information sharing to other commands and law enforcement agencies.

“It is critical that every military member, family member, and as many civilians as we can touch, report any activity that seems out of place,” said Special Agent James Williams, the AFOSI detachment commander here. “This concept will help not only (an Air Force base itself) , but surrounding communities as well.”

“Eagle Eyes works because every terrorist act is preceded by observable planning activities, and when you know what to look for and how to report it, terrorist acts can be prevented,” said Senior Airman Michael Harrison, a security forces Airman with the joint anti-terrorism team here. “It is important because law enforcement officers can’t be everywhere. We need the eyes and ears of the entire community.”

- Items that Eagle Eyes participants can report include:
- Surveillance: Someone recording or monitoring activities.
 - Elicitation: People or organizations attempting to gain information about military operations or capabilities.
 - Tests of security: Any attempts to measure reaction times to security breaches or to penetrate physical security barriers or procedures in order to assess strengths and weaknesses.
 - Acquiring supplies: Purchasing or stealing explosives, weapons or ammunition.
 - Suspicious persons out of place.
 - Dry run: Putting people into position and moving them around according to their plan without committing the terrorist act.
 - Deploying assets: People and supplies getting into position to commit the act.

Eagles Eyes is a new program, but it follows principles already in place for servicemembers.

“We all took an oath to defend our nation from all enemies, foreign and domestic,” said Col. Cathy Clothier, 22nd Air Refueling Wing commander. “We are taking the fight to the terrorists so our sons and daughters don’t have to fight them on our soil.

“However, it is naive to think that those who would do us harm aren’t on our soil right now,” Colonel Clothier said. “It’s critical we all keep our Eagle Eyes open, actively looking for and reporting any suspicious activity, be it outside our gate or in the local community. Report anything you see, no matter how insignificant it may seem.”

More information about the Eagle Eyes program is available at the AFOSI Web site at <http://public.afosi.amc.af.mil/eagle/index.asp/>.

Gift of Groceries can help military families displaced by hurricanes

BONNIE POWELL
Defense Commissary Agency

Thousands of American troops are involved in relief efforts in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. Military families are also among those displaced by the disaster. Now a special link at www.commissaries.com will connect those interested in helping military families with a "Gift of Groceries."

The donated gift certificates can be used to assist military families in purchasing groceries at the commissary while they are temporarily housed at other installations. Commissaries are a military benefit, providing groceries at cost to active duty, retired and Guard and Reserve families.

"Several organizations, including Air

Force Aid Society, the United Services Organization and Fisher House Foundation already receive thousands of dollars in commissary gift certificates every year to help military families in need," said Patrick B. Nixon, Defense Commissary Agency chief executive officer and acting director. "In this case, Fisher House Foundation and Air Force Aid Society are in a position to distribute gift certificates to military families from the affected area."

"We are making it possible for people to earmark their donations for Katrina relief," said Mike Baskerville, vice president of Certifichcks Inc. "The link will stay up until the need has been met."

The Gift of Groceries program is made possible through a business agreement with Certifichcks Inc. at no cost to DeCA or the federal government. The program allows anyone to purchase commissary gift certificates to donate or give as gifts, but only authorized commissary shoppers can spend them.

Air Force Aid Society is assisting with displaced families in the southern United States. About 1,000 evacuees are at Maxwell AFB, Ala., and

help is also needed at more than 10 other installations where evacuees are temporarily housed. Families at Tinker AFB, Okla., are already getting commissary gift certificates as they settle in, according to family support center officials there.

"Thirty patients in their last trimester of pregnancy were relocated to Lackland AFB, Texas, from Keesler AFB, Miss.," said David Coker, Fisher House Foundation executive director. "We are also helping at other installations and in other situations. For instance, residents at the Navy Armed Forces Retirement Home in Gulfport, Miss., are now living at the AFRH home in Washington, D.C."

DeCA operates a worldwide chain of commissaries providing groceries to military personnel, retirees and their families in a safe and secure shopping environment. Authorized patrons purchase items at cost plus a 5-percent surcharge, which covers the costs of building new commissaries and modernizing existing ones.

Shoppers save an average of 30 percent or more on their purchases compared to commercial prices - savings worth about \$2,700 annually for a family of four.

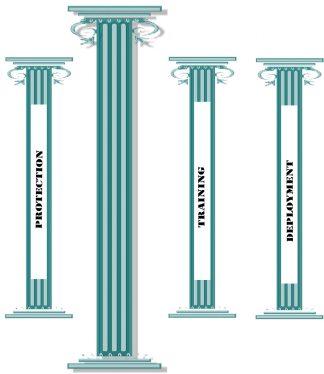


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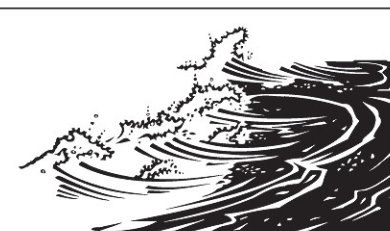
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Oct. 22

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\$16 space and 2 tables
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Thursday at the E'Club 6 p.m.
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(30 words or less)

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tions system works in the classrooms, a communications technician who ensures the base network is up and running, or a maintenance professional who makes certain an aircraft is safe and ready for take off.

For those involved in resource management, it is working to make sure every dollar is spent to achieve our mission and that every effort is made to identify funding shortfalls so that additional funds can be sourced. For all customer service functions, it is providing prompt, accurate and friendly service so that our customers can focus on the mission.

Another way to support the training investment is by taking full advantage of those opportunities designed to prepare us to deploy. America’s Air Dominance Force includes all of us who support air expeditionary force deployments. Making sure we send trained functional professionals is not enough; we need to make sure our personnel are prepared to operate under the rigorous conditions of a deployed location. Individuals, supervisors and commanders all share in this important responsibility.

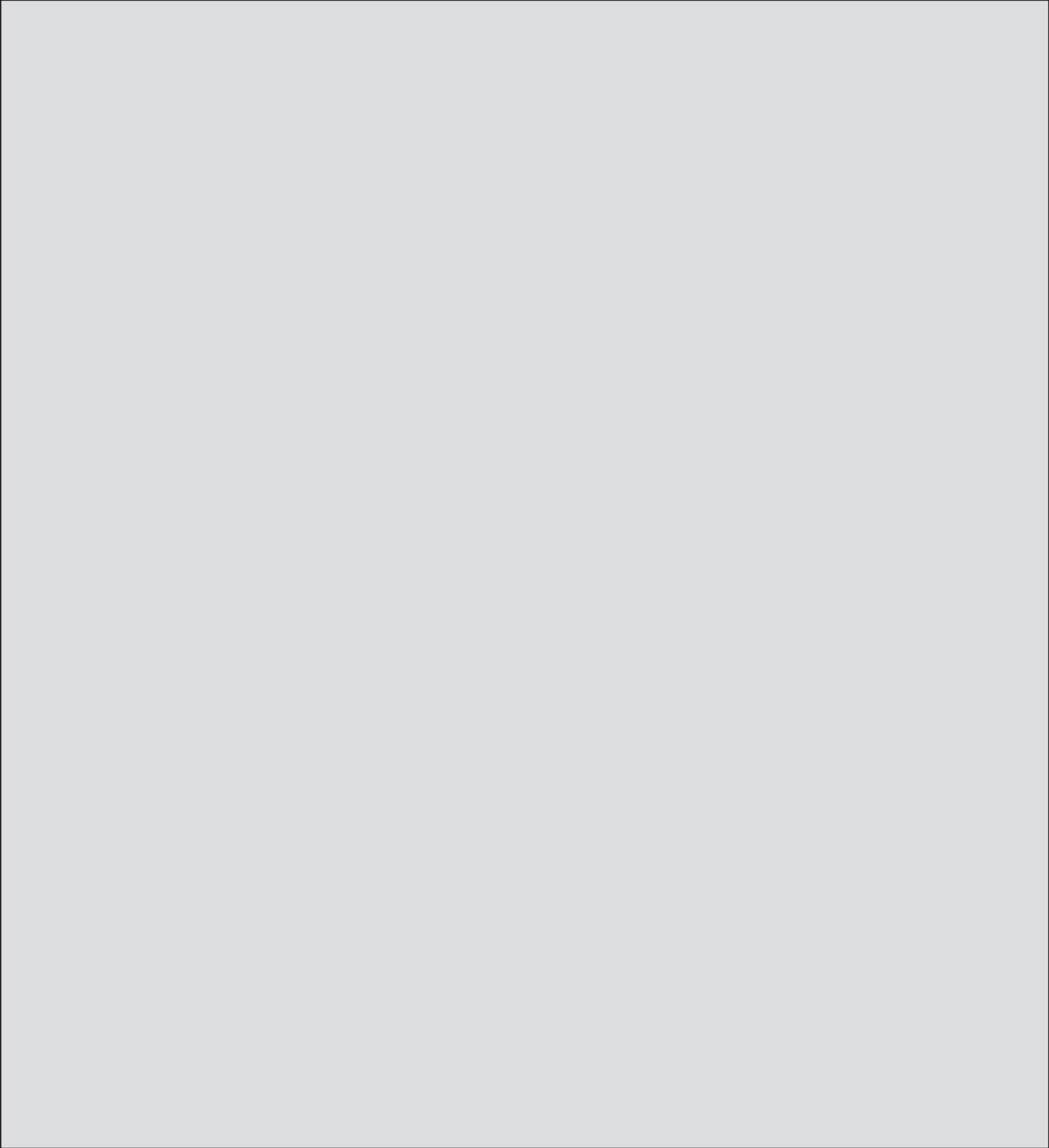
America has faced many great difficulties dating all the way back to the birth of our nation. Despite those challenges America has always found a way to succeed. September 11, 2001 dramatically changed the way we do business in the Air Force and has made the ongoing global war on terrorism our reality for years to come. As we prepare to face a new fiscal year, with additional funding reductions, manning cuts and extended deployments, take a moment to reflect on this proud tradition of success our nation has enjoyed. Great leaders, like General Washington, played important roles in building this tradition. However, it was dedicated men and women who committed themselves to the task at hand that truly kept this tradition alive.

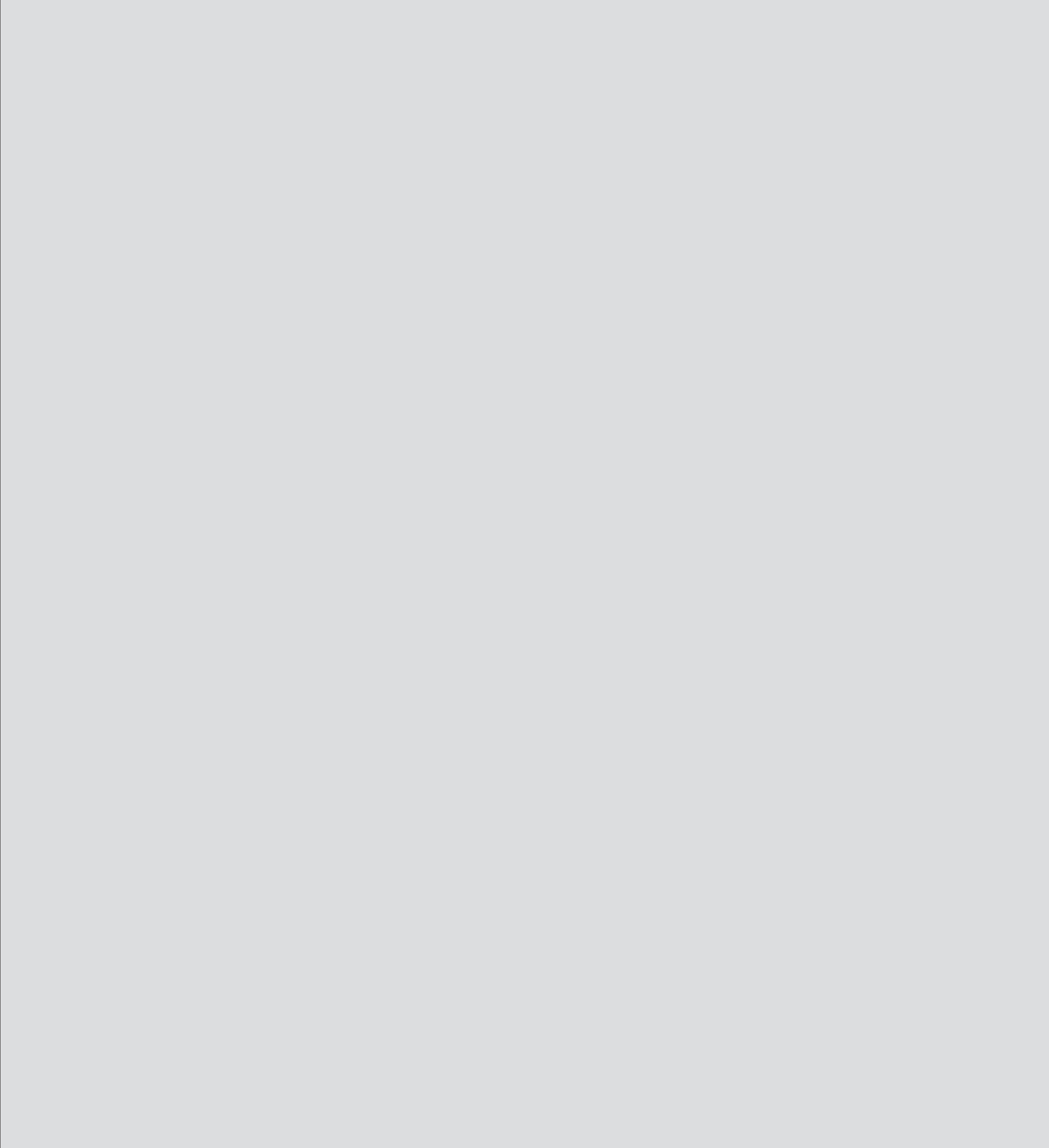
Tyndall’s mission is a vital component of America’s military might. When future generations look back at America’s victory in the global war on terror, Team Tyndall personnel will be included among those “dedicated men and women” who rose to the occasion to keep our proud tradition of success alive and well. Thanks for all you do and Happy (Fiscal) New Year!

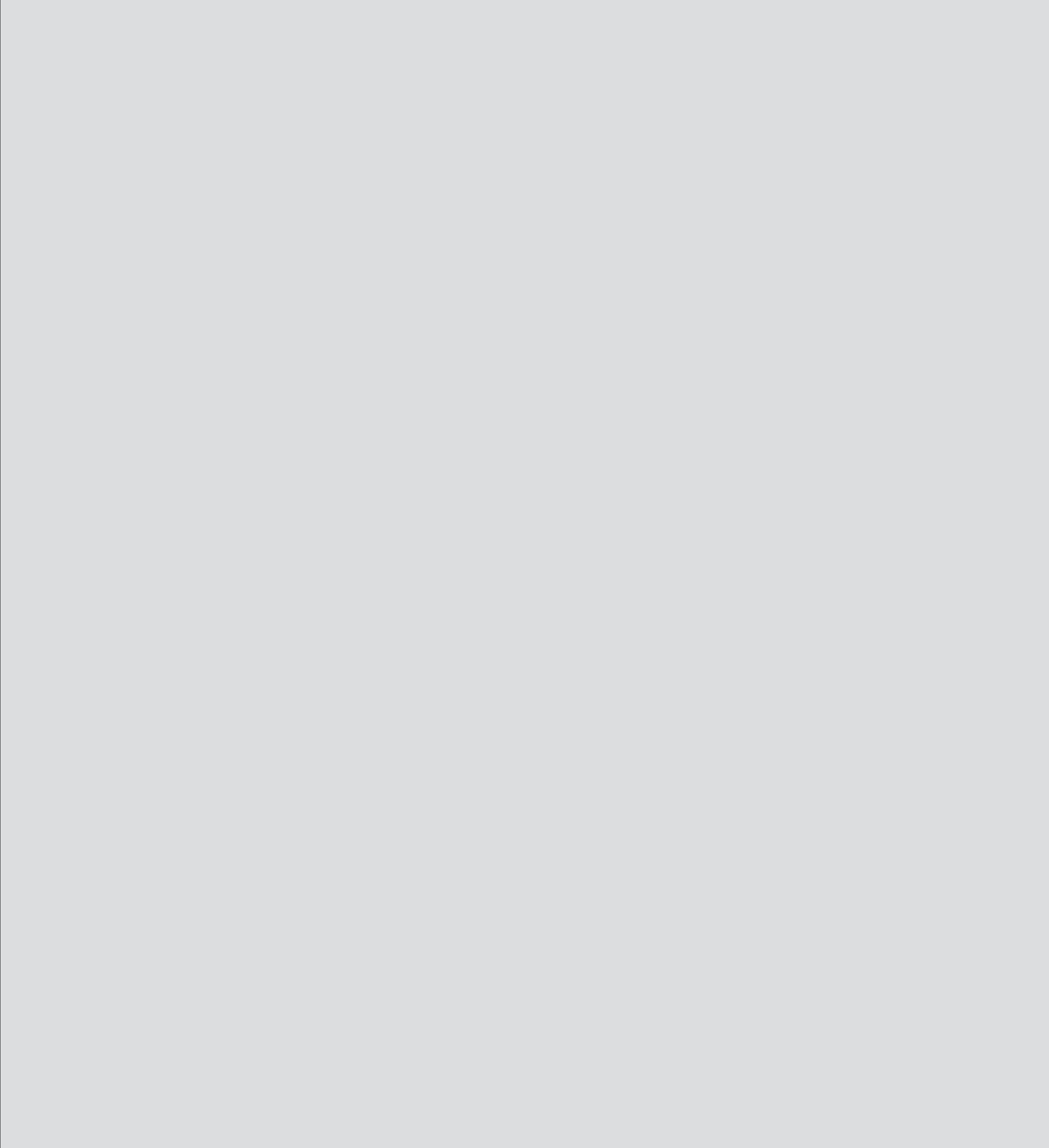


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Winter hunting at Tyndall

Crow

Now until Oct. 30, Saturdays and Sundays only, one half hour before sunrise to sunset; Nov. 11–Feb. 18, one half hour before sunrise to sunset

Rail and Common Moorhen

Now until Nov. 9, one half hour before sunrise to sunset

Mourning and White-Winged Dove

Saturday–Oct. 24, noon to sunset; Nov. 12–27 and Dec. 10–Jan. 8, one half hour before sunrise to sunset

Archery

Oct. 15–Nov. 13

Snipe

Nov. 1–Feb. 15, one half hour before sunrise to sunset

Small Game (squirrel, quail, rabbit, opossum, raccoon, coyote, armadillo, skunk and migratory game in season)

Nov. 12–Feb. 15, except Christmas Day and on Tuesdays and Fridays, when deer hunting is allowed.

Muzzleloading

Nov. 18–20

Deer

Nov. 24–27, Dec. 2–Jan. 2, except Christmas Day; Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesdays and federal holidays from Dec. 10–14 and Jan. 4–Feb. 15.

Woodcock

Dec. 17–Jan. 15, one half hour before sunrise to sunset

Note: Youth, ages 11–15 are authorized to participate in hunting Nov. 19–20, Dec. 3–4, Dec. 17–18.

Permits are issued from 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Wednesday and Friday at the Civil Engineer Squadron's Natural Resources Office, Bldg. 1260, DeJarnette Road. Proper identification is required.

General hunting and fishing permits are free to persons 65 years of age or older. Persons under 16 years of age, accompanied by an adult and those certified as being 100 percent disabled and possessing the State's Florida Resident Totally and Permanently Disabled Person Hunting and Fishing Certificate are free of charge. Archer hunting permits must be purchased no matter what the age or ability of the permittee.

Base regulations are subject to change. Any such changes of the regulations will be posted at the Natural Resources Office and published in the Gulf Defender. For more information, call 283-2641.



Oktoberfest

October 1, 2005
10 A.M. - 9 P.M.
 Free Admission
 Fun for the Entire Family
 at
Bay View Housing
 (by new Visitor's Center)

Activities:

- ◆ Car, Truck & Motorcycle Show
 Registration Open: 8-11 a.m.
 \$25 per entry
- ◆ Arts and Crafts Faire
- ◆ Beer & Wine Fest Tent
- ◆ Bratwursts, hot dogs & more
- ◆ Smoke House by Fire Dept.
- ◆ K9 Dog Demo
- ◆ Live Entertainment
- ◆ Children's Games & Activities
- ◆ And More!

Open to the Public

Tyndall AFB Oktoberfest
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